YARMOUTH.

[Progress is for sale in Yarmouth at the stores of F. I. Vickery, T. F. Knight and Harris & Horsfall.]

FEB. 23.—The excellent sleighing which has made Yarmouth so lively for the last three or four weeks has almost entirely disappeared; but we cannot say that Yarmouth is dull in consequence, for there are so many amusements just at present for both old and young. Dancing seems to have given way to cards. Mrs. J. R. Kinney entertains a number of her

friends this evening at whist. The ladies of Providence church had a very novel entertainment on the evening of Thursday last, which was very successful both socially and financially. This entertainment was called a "Scotch evening." The programmes were very unique, being printed on the face of a hand-painted thistle, which artistic attempt was a very good imitation of the Scotch emblem. Both songs and readings were well carried out. The ladies who took part in the singing were:
Mrs. H. E. Chute, Miss Johnson, Miss Crawley,
Miss Hibbert, Miss Smith, Mrs. Harvey, and Miss
Pelton. Mr. W. T. Sterritt, and Miss Grierson
gave excellent reading selections. A chorus, "Bonnie Dundee," by a number of young ladies in Scotch dress created much applause. The room was festoned with Scotch plaid, and even the refreshments which were served at the close of the programme,

had a Scotch flavor.

Miss Isabel Bingay has been v siting friends in Mr. James McLaughlin left for England last Mrs. John Corning has gone to Boston for a short

Mrs. Hunter, who has lately been the guest of Mr. H. G. Farish, left on Saturday for Philadelphia, where she intends joining her husband, who is in charge of the ship Romanoff

Mrs. J. H. Burrill entertained a large number of

Mrs. J. H. Burrill entertained a large number of her friends at a very sociable card party last Thursday, given in honor of her sister, Miss Dexter, who has been spending the winter in Yarmouth. Among those present were: Miss Crowell, Miss Tilley, Miss Burrill, Miss Munroe, Miss Mary Gardner, Miss Robertson, Miss Kelley, Miss Allen Miss Kate Burrill, Miss N. Gardner, Miss Christie, Miss Crosby, Miss F. Allen, Miss Murphy, Miss Mary Kelley, Miss Pelton, Miss Webster, Miss Killam, Miss Statwood; Mr. Hibbert, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Porter, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Webster, Mr. Spinney, Mr. Fennett, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Kirk Mr. Dennis, Mr. Lovitt, Mr. Killam, Mr. Munroe, Mr. Baker, Mr. Holly, (of St. John), Mr. Stoneman Mr. Pendrigh and Mr. Rogers. Although there was no dancing, and hence no full evening costumes, some of the dresses worn by the ladies were very pretty and deserved worn by the ladies were very pretty and deserved

Miss Jessie Burrill looked very pretty in black lace, with velvet bodice and trimmings.

Miss Regina Murphy, goblin blue velvet. Miss Isabel Webster, cream serge.
Miss Winifred Stanwood, blue satin and velvet.

Miss Carrie Killam, drab silk with pale pink silk Miss Dexter, cream challie, with old rose trim-Miss Dora Munroe looked pretty in dark blue skirt and pale silk waist.

Miss Kate Burrill, drab, trimmed with dark vel-

wet.

Miss Annie Kelley, garnet satin.

Miss Sadie Allen, black silk with silver trimmings.
Miss Nellie Gardner, cream cashmere.

Miss Mary Gardner, tawn dress, with gold trim Miss Nellie Crowell, black silk.

Miss Mary Kelley, black cloth, trimmed with black silk and gold. Miss Alice Allen, black velvet with pale blue Miss Fannie Allen, blue cloth, with silk trim-

Miss Kate Christie, old rose silk waist over cloth Annie Robertson, cream satin, with gree Miss Mary Crosby, white dress.
Miss Eva Pelton, fawn colored gauze.

The prizes were particularly handsome, and were won by Mr Carl Dennis and Miss Eva Pelton (first).

Mr. Dennis received a handsome card case and Miss on a delicate toilette bottle. Miss Dexter intends leaving for her home in Min meapolis sometime in March.

Mrs. J. R. Kinney returned home last week.

Miss Jennie Crosby, who has been spending the

winter in New York, arrived home last week.

Mrs. J. E. Murphy has gone to Boston for a short There was a large sleighing party of about fifty at Tusket last week. Although the evening was very cold, the party was declared to be one of the most enjoyable of the season. An excellent supper was

served at Gilman's about 8 o'clock. The party returned home about midnight.

Miss Sadie Wilson is confined to her house with Miss Minnie Burrill, who has been attending the Conservatory of Music at Boston, has returned home for a short time.

Mrs. Baltour Brown returned to her home a Weymouth last week. The Guilds of Trinity Church Parish advertise a very original entertainment for Friday evening.

Mrs. Webster, at Milton, entertained a number

of her friends at cards last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. E. Harris are the guests o Dr. Harris, Parade street.

Mrs. Edgar Corbett, of Parrsboro, left for her home via Halifax on Friday.

Mr. T. O. Anderson spent a short time in Yar month last meet.

Mr. John Lovitt, ex.M. P., left for New York on The friends of Miss Emma Robbins will be pleasto hear that she has taken musical honors at Trinity

The Y. M. C. A. are holding interesting weekly meetings. Mr. Cartright gives a practical talk on the doctrine of Robert Elsmere this evening.

AMHERST.

[Progress is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas, at the Western Union Telegraph office.] FHB. 24. A large number of the young people attended the concert in Sackville on Friday evening, the more matter of fact went by train; but the majority of our young eligibles and their fair companions formed a merry party and took advantage of the fine night and excellent sleighing and verified the old adage (with a slight change) that the longest way round was the pleasantest way home.

The bachelors ball in Moncton for Thursday night will, no doubt, attract a number of our party goers, who were honored with an invitation, and as Lent will soon bid them "hang up the fiddle and

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mills, of Moneton, spent Lasst report announces that Mr. Ketchum will go to England before his return to Amherst. If Mrs. Ketchum deci ies to accompany him, we lose hope of seeing their pleasant home opened for some time yet.

One seldom desires to attend a more enjoyable party than the one given by Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Fuller at their handsome suburban residence on Spring street. Whist was the first order of the evening, afterwards trived with a delicious repast and a merry dance. Mrs. Fuller received in black silk, trimmed with lace, and was pronounced a most gracious hostess. Among those present were: Mrs. Roger, Miss Strickland, Miss Johnstone, Miss M. Morse, Miss Pride, Miss Gares, the Misses Purdy, Mr. H. Pipe, Mr. J. Lusby, Mr. A. Foster, Prof. Barnaby, Dr. McQueen, Mr. Griffin, Mr. Bateson, Mr. C. Black, Mr. J. Curry.

Luller was also at home to number of married laces on Saturday evening.

The sleighing party was given by the Misses Spring street. Whist was the first order of the

The sleighing party was given by the Misses Tighe, on Thursday night, was a jolly event. It not only merited the honor of being first on the list, but was pronounced by the favored guests as an exercise of the state of the sta ceptionally pleasant drive. After thoroughly doing town they returned to headquarters about 10 o'clock with their appetites keenly sharpened, and did justice to a delicious supper. The remainder of the evening was devoted to cards and music and "past the key stone o' the night," when the grateful guests dispersed. Those forming he merry party were Miss Johnstone, Miss Gates, Miss Sleep, Miss Wilson, Miss Cutler, Miss Lowerison, Miss E. Main, Mr. J. Curry, Dr. McQueen, Dr. McCully, Mr. A. W. Bateson, Mr. C. Black, Mr. A. Purdy, Prof. Barnaby, Mr. J. Lusby, Mr. McLarren.

The dime reading held in Christ church schoolroom on Monday evening was a marked success. The programme was excellent and each number was greatly appreciated by the many listeners. A duet by Mrs. and Miss Miles was beautifully rendered, as were the solos by the Misses Gates and

Campbell, the latter receiving an encore to which she kindly responded. Prof. Barnaby gave a song in his usual good style and Mr. S. Dickey by special in his usual good style and Mr. S. Dickey by special request gave a most pleasing comic selection; his banjo solos "brought down the house." Readings were given by Mrs. H. J. Logan who was recalled with loud applause. Mrs. Munro who gave a very interesting rumber and Rev. V. O. Harris' selection was most appropriate. I hear they intend holding them fortnightly which will help to relieve the

Dr. and Mrs. Hewson and daughter arrived home on Friday from New York.

The choir of Christ church are practising for choral service on Sunday evening.

Little Duke, youngest son of Judge Morse, who was very seriously burned about ten weeks ago, has been confined to his bed ever since; his health

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL. is gradually failing. Latest reports pronounce his case a most critical one. case a most critical one.

If noise is a sign of enjoyment the Y. M. C. A. boys had a regular jollification on Friday. About fifty were in the large sleighs who waked the echoes of the town with their horns and whistles. After their drive was over they gathered at Mr. A. Mc-Kinnon's where they enjoyed hot coffee and accompanying substantials.

The donation at the residence of the Rev. D. A. Steele last evening was largely attended, and a few very social and interesting hours were spent by those Senator Dickey left for Ottawa on Tuesday to at-

panying substantials.

tend to his official duties.

Invitations are out for another pleasant party at Holm cottage on Friday evening; also for a large sleighing party for the very young ladies, which I hope will not have to be postponed on account of poor sleighing.

MARSH MALLOW.

SPRINGHILL.

[PROGRESS is on sale at J. S. McDonald's book

FEB. 24. A skating party went down to Parrsboro on a special train last Thursday evening and had a most enjoyable time; a race between Messrs Gavin of Parrsboro and Carl Cooper of Springhill, resulted in the latter's defeat. Although Mr. Cooper is considered by far the better skater. Later in the evening the visitors accompanied by a number of Parrsborro friends repaired to one of the hotels where supper was served, after which a pleasant little dance took place.

Mr. J. R. Cowan returned from Montreal on Saturday evening and left on Monday for a trip to Boston. Mr. Arthur Alloway, who has been on a business trip to Montreal is expected home this week.

Miss Maude Bird, who has been assistant in the kindergarten school has resigned her position in order to pursue her studies at the high school. She

order to pursue her studies at the high school. She is succeeded by Miss Ethel Pugh.

Mr. John Nichols lectured here two evenings last week, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. On Thursday evening his subject was, "The Campfires of Napoleon." It was splendidly illustrated with lime light views, and was most interesting. On Friday evening the story of Scotland's famous queen, the beautiful yet hapless Mary Stuart, was listened to by a large andience; the illustrations listened to by a large audience; the illustrations were splendid, and the lecture most instructive. Memorial services were held in the various churches on Sunday, Feb. 21st, and were most solemn and impressive.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. McNutt are expected home

shortly. A requiem memorial mass was celebrated in the catholic church Monday, the 22ad, instead of the 21st. The music rendered by the choir, Miss

Fuller organist, was excellent.

Mrs. H. A. McKnight is ill with grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Borque will shortly take up their residence in Springhill. Lent seems to be casting its shadows over us already, for social gaieties are almost at a stand-

It is rumored that Mr. R. McG. Fraser, well known in business and social circles here, is about to leave Springhill. His many friends will sincerely regret his departure.

The new Y. M. C. A. rooms are to be formally opened on Saturday evening. The parlors and other apartments are elegantly furnished, and will be a pleasant resort for our young men. It is whispered that a leap year skate, followed by a little dance, are among the attractions for Tuesday

evening.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Dick entertained a number of their friends at a drive whist party on Thursday their friends at a drive whist party on Thursday evening of last week. Among the guests who helped to fill up the six tables were the following: Dr. Johnson, Messrs. C. W. McLeod, I. D. Cole, J. Murray, jr., N. L. and Mrs. McDougall, H. H. and Mrs. Archibald, N. D. McTavish, Hubert Wood, W. G. Howard, Mrs. Logan, Miss Ella Corbett, Miss Lizzie Hall, Miss R. Spencer, Miss Moore, Miss Maggie Dick and others. The prizes, beautiful little souvenirs of a most delightful even. beautiful little souvenirs of a most delightful even-ing, were won by Mr. C. W. McLeod and Miss

KENTVILLE.

FEB. 24.-Mrs. George Layton of Truro, has been in town this week, called here on account of the death of two aunts. Three days after the death of Miss Minetta Hamilton, her sister, Miss Susan Hamilton died. Mrs. Harris with whom the Misses Hamilton lived, has broken up her home and will

Mr. H. M. Bailey and wife have been paying a Mr. Murphy has also been visiting this "modern

Rev. Mr. Kempton of Canard, preached in the baptist church on Sunday. Mr. Mainwaring is able to go out for a drive, but is quite unable as yet to resume his duties, after his long and serious illness, as paster of the baptist church.

Mrs. Henry is visiting her daughters in Dartmouth and Shubenacadie. Rev. Henry Howe, of Annapolis, passed through Kentville on Monday, as did also the member from

Annapolis.

A very delightful party was given by Mrs. Ross Chipman on Monday evening to which were invited friends from Port Williams and Wolfville, as well as Kentville. "Maplehurst" is quite noted for its hospitality which is always so generously dispensed to old and young. Dancing parties, however, have rarely been given there of late, so this was particularly enloyable. The ledies reserved. was particularly enjoyable. The ladies present were: Mrs. J. C. Starr, who wore a gown of sal-mon pink silk and black net; Mrs. Barclay Webster, in garnet velvet or plush, square cut neck and white lace sleeves; Mrs. Tom Calkin, black lace; Miss lace sleeves; Mrs. Tom Calkin, black lace; Miss Nellie Calkin, checked silk, with garnet velvet trimmings; Miss Katie Calkin, checked silk, with trimmings of blue velvet; Mrs. Ralph Eaton, black lace; Miss Balia Lovett, black fish net, with bodice of Nile green cloth velvet trimmings; Miss Fannie King, pink nun's veiling, satin trimmings; Mrs. John Fullerton, black silk; Miss Roe, dress of steel gray; Miss Lucy Roe, pink nun's veiling; Mrs. Richardson, black velvet; Mrs. Pyke, dark silk, velvet trimmings; Mrs. Robert Rand, brocaded silk and velvet, with steel trimmings; Mrs. Dalmaine, black lace; Miss Nolan, black lace with corsage, bouquet of red roses; Miss Sharp, white mull; Miss Janie Rand, dress of old rose cashmere with velvet trimmings; Miss Gladys Starr,

mere with velvet trimmings; Miss Gladys Starr, pink nun's veiling; Miss Ethel Pattillo, Miss Annie Chipman, and Miss Alice Chipman, dresses of white with bright sashes; Miss Gertie Chipman, blue and Mrs. Chipman received in black brocaded silk with jettrimmings.

The gentlemen present were: Mr. Barclay Webster, Mr. T. P. Calkin, Messrs. A. E. Calkin, J. C. Starr, R. Masters, G. Masters, W. Rockwell, S. Rockwell, R. S. Eaton, J. Fullerton, H. Dalmaine, J. Dalmaine, P. Starr, T. Harvey, Dr. Fullerton.

Mr. Pratt of Bridgetown, and Mr. George Pratt, of Wolfville, were in town on Sunday.

Mr. Bancroft, at one time on the staff of the church army in Halifax, took the services most acceptably on Sunday at St. James' church. with jet trimmings.

church army in Hainax, took the services ceptably on Sunday at St. James' church. PRIMULA. TRURO. N. S.

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

FEB. 24. The sleighing party last Thursday night at the home or Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wilson, gotten up by Miss Mattie Jones and chaperoned by Mrs. Cox, was a decided succ ss. The drive to Mass-Town was no small feature of the night's enjoyment, followed by the dance, which was prosecuted with vigor until the "wee small hours ayont the dawn." Everyone of the party were loud in their praises of Mrs. Cox as a charming chaperone. Miss Jones is at present enjoying a visit from her friend Miss Bent of Pugwash, whose chaims we hear have proved too much for one of the staff in the Railway Superintendent's office.

Two rinks of the Truro curling club go to Halifax

o compete for the Caledonian medal. Skips A. S. and Geo. Gunn wil take rinks. We understand that Mr. D. C. Blair has refused a most remunerative price for his "Louisburg" vase. This vase possesses an unusual interest for collectors and would be possessors of the antique because

of its historic character.

Mrs. Geo. Donkin was in Halifax for a day or two last week, attending the carnival and School accom-Hon. Senator Thos. and Mrs. McKay, accom-panied by their daughter Miss Agnes McKay, left Monday for Ottawa. PEG. last week, attending the carnival and seeing friends.

PETIT ROCHER.

FEB. 15 .- Petit Rocher society is now occupied with how best to employ those weeks before Lent. Family parties shall now be the order of the day. Miss O'Brien has returned to Nelson after a very

pleasant visit here. Mrs. Sweeney, who was for several days very ill will be pleased to hear of her recovery.

Miss Rose Bertin is housekeeping this winter.

Miss Claire Melancon and her brother are staying

Mr. Hugh Shasgreen is now night agent at I. C. R. station here.

Messrs. John I. Grant and Henry M. Devereaux are learning telegraphy.

Mr. Des Brisay is improving in health. Mr. Sidney Des Brisay's duties are more numerous since the withdrawal of Mr. John Morrison. CLAIRE.

DIGBY, N. S.

[Progress is for sale in Digby at the bookstore of Mrs. Belle Morse.] FEB. 24-Miss Moody of Yarmouth, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wm. Dakin.

Mr. Herbert Biden left for St. John on Monday. Mrs. B. C. Monroe nee Miss Minnie Rice, who has been visiting her parents in Bear River, returned to her home in Amherst on Monday. Mr. Harry Smith has gone on a fox-hunting ex-

Mr. E. C. Bowers, M. P., is at the Royal en route to Ottawa. Mrs. Bowers, who has been dangerously ill at her home in Westport is gradually re-

Miss Grace Merkle and Mr. Fred. Withycombe were quietly married on Monday in Chelsea, Mass., Rev. Mr. O'Dell, of that city performed the cercmony. Mrs. Withycombe was one of Digby's most popular young ladies, and will be greatly missed. Mr. and Mrs. Withycombe will reside at 151 Shawmut avenue, Chelsea, Mass.

Miss Robinson, of Hantsport, is visiting her sister,

Mrs. H. B. Short. Mr. Chute, M. P. P., for Annapolis, was in town one day last week.

Mrs. Herbert Green gave a euchre party and dance on Thursday evening at her charming residence "Linden Terrace," About thirty guests were present. Mr. H. B. Short carried off one of the

Some fifty guests in response to invitations from Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Raymond, drove out to Acacia most enjoyable time the party returned to town

about two o'clock a. m.
Mr. Boyd McNeil, of the registrar of deeds office,

Miss Mary Smith gave a whist party to a number of her friends on Friday evening.

I hear another of our young ladies will leave us in June to make her home in Cambridge, Mass., where the prospective groom resides.

Mrs. G. J. Letteney gave a tea on Wednesday evening. About 25 guests were present. Rev.

Mr. Turner, of Wolfville, was the guest of the Mrs. W. T. Ford is visiting her parents in West-

Congratulations are in order at the residence of Dr. Joel Fritz, where a bran new baby boy has ome to stay.

Mr. Lorau Peters has gone on a business trip to Mrs. Loran Peters, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Dixon, in St. John, returned on Wed-

Mr. Longstaff will shortly leave for the United States in the interests of the new summer hotel to be erected here and called "The Evangeline." Mrs. W. B. Stewart has gone on a visit to Anna-Mrs. L. S. Morse is visiting her friends in Bridge-

Mrs. Kinsman is visiting her parents in Bear Miss Florrie Jones, who has been visiting her brother in Calais, Maine, returned home Wednes-

CENTREVILLE, CARLETON CO.

FEB. 10.-The weather on Feb. 9 was not as favorable for the dramatic entertainment announced for that evening as we could have wished; still, notwithstanding the persistent falling of the ten up under the skilful management of Mrs. R. beautiful little souvenirs of a most delightful evening, were won by Mr. C. W. McLeod and Miss Ruby Spencer.

It is rumored that arrangements are being made to establish a branch of the order of "Sons of Scotland."

MARS II.

Wilmot Ballock, was most successful, and reflected great credit upon all who had any part in it. Miss Ida Sherwood's instrumental music was fine, the choruses, solos and duetts very sweet and pleasing, the readings by Mr. H. T. Scholey and the Rev. It Flewships were evenless to strument of Mrs. G. W. Sumner gave another of her delight-ful dances on Monday evening. It was a very large party, between 80 and 100 guests being present. Mr. and Mrs. Sumner are noted for their successful entertainments and this was no exception to the rule. Indeed I think the readings by Mr. H. T. Scholey and the Rev. J. E. Elewelling were excellent, and the tableauxvivant particularly effective. "Preparing for the wedding" has never been excelled here, "One two many" (the figures in costumes of a hundred years ago,) "The bachelor who put his pies and cakes on a shelf," and was finally reduced to the dire necessity of bringing home a wife (in a wheel-barrow) brought down the house, and "Jealousy" and a "Gypsy scene" were very striking. Miss Carrie White as Mrs. Jarley was simply inimitable, Miss West as the Maniac, tore her hair in the most approved fashion. Mrs. H. Gregory as the Welsh dwarf, in a dress more than 100 years old, could not have been recognized by her dearest friend; Mr. O'Hara as Captain Kidd, and Mrs. J. E. friend; Mr. O'Hara as Captain Kidd, and Mrs. J. E. Flewelling as the victim were perfect in their parts, the central figure, Mr. W. Hagerman as the Chinese giant caused a great deal of merriment. Miss Lizzie Bull as the vocalist, convulsed everybody with her liquid notes, especially when the machinery seemed to require oiling, and Miss Lydia Merrit as "The fair one with wonderful locks," and Mr. S. S. Miller as Christopher Columbus could not be surpassed. Miss Minnie White as the maid who took care of the wax figures, and Mr. Lee as John, the tootman, in a full suit of livery were also capital characters.

Mrs. J. E. Alexander very kindly assisted by singing, and her song was very heartily encored, as was the duett by Miss Merritt and Miss Minnie

White. The audience went away delighted, hoping that the dramatic club could be induced to repeat their entertainment in a few weeks. Miss Lawson, sister of Mrs. Harry Gregory, has

returned to Stanley.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carvell, of Woodstock, was in town on the 9th; they came to attend the drama-Miss Lizzie Bull, who has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. R. Wilmot Balloch, is now in Wood-stock. I do not know whether she is to come back,

but hope she will, as our little circle can ill afford to Rev. Fred Todd has been here visiting his father, the much respected pastor of the baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara are to be congratulated on the arrival of an uncommonly bright little daughter.

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

FEB. 23 .- The residence of Mr. F. McDougall was ablaze with light on Tuesday evening last, when a

party was given in honor of his sister, Miss Jessie McDougall. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour. Among those present were: Mrs. J. Fred. Allison, Mrs. Amos Atkinson, Mrs. R. P. Foster, Misses Estabrooks, Black, Wright, Lawton, Ayer, Read, Knapp, and Bluck, and Messrs. Murray, Paterson, Black, Rainnie, Henderson, Foster, Kirkpatrick, Bennet and Allison.

Mr. E. Woodworth, of Parrsboro, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Allison. Mr. and Mrs. A. 4. Smith, of Truro, spent a few days of last week with Dr. and Mrs. Smith.
Mr. Ohve, of St. John, spent Sunday in town with his daughter, who is attending the Ladies' college.
Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood, of Bath, Me., are spending the winter with their daughter, Mrs.

Mr. B. E. Black, met with quite a serious accident while driving ou Monday night, but is now doing well as can be expected.

Mr. F. G. Rainnie went to St John on Saturday to attend the "at home" on Monday evening.

Miss Murray, of St. John, is the guest of senator cotsford at "Acacia Grove."

The concert Friday evening in Music Hall, given by the Methodist Choir, was in every way a grand success. The programme consisted of choruses, duets, solos, readings, etc. Mrs. Harrison looked perfectly bewitching in a gown of pink silk with silver trimmings. Her first solo, "Jo Son Tılania," was applauded to the echo and was succeeded by the charming little waltz song, "Going to Market," Miss Landers rendering of "The Potion Scene," from Romeo and Juliet, carried her audience from first to last. Miss Ethel Smith's rendition of the

pathetic little story "The Swan Song," was vigor-The male trio, "The Three Choices," convulsed the audience with laughter. Mention might be made of many who did themselves credit did space Miss Lulu McMurray is visiting her friend, Miss

Mabel Aver. Miss Greta Ogden entertained a number of her friends on Monday evening. The party was given in honor of her friend, Miss Lawton. Dancing was the chief feature of the evening. Among those present were: Misses Smith, Fawcett, Ayer, Shochen, Rainnie, Lawton, Black and Bell, Messrs. Potts, Allison, Smith, McDonald, Snowball, Harris, Wooley, Mills, Black, and T. Smith. Mr. R. M. Fulton is out again after a serious at-

and Mrs. Cogswell, who are recovering from the Saturday evening the senior class of the University of Mt. Allison gave the annual "at home" in Memorial hall. A large number from the town were University of Mt. Allison gave the annual "at home" in Memorial hall. A large number from the town were University of the delightful evening University of Monday. invited and took advantage of the delightful evening to be present. Two of the class, Messrs. Darby and Patterson, acted as hosts. During the evening ice cream and cake were served. The gathering broke up at eleven and all took their departure well pleas-ed and wishing success to the members of the class who so kindly entertained them.

tack of the prevailing epidemic and also Mrs. Willis

[PROGRESS is for sale in Moncton at the bookstore of W. H. Murray, Main street, and on the streets by J. E. McCoy.]

gay things in Moncton, of the constant succession of parties, and the general hilarity which seems to pervade the atmosphere would naturally be led to believe that the railway town was a very delightful place to live in, a spot untouched by trouble and care, where no one has anything to do but dress, dance and enjoy themselves. Those who live here know better, however; know that never has there been a harder winter, so far as sickness and poverty go, as this present one! Sickness, death and poverty on the one hand; music and dancing on the other! Nothing to eat for days, but what the charitable neighbors being in, in one house daintiest of suppers, and gayest of guests in another! Thinnest of summer clothes, no fuel, bare toes showing through cracked shoes, and no money to buy medicine, in one house! In another, delightful excitement over the coming bachelors' ball, and no care unless it be the fear that the new ball dress, which has been ordered for the occasion, will not come home in time, or if it does, that it may not fit. Six deaths in one day last week, and the hours for the different funerals arranged to suit the convenience of the undertakers, who found it impos sible to conduct two funerals at the same time Mr. and Mis. N. B. Raymond, drove out to Acacia Valley on Thursday evening. I understand the occasion was gotten up in honor of Mr. Bowers our new M. P., but owing to pressing business matters, that gentleman was unable to be present. After a sickness and mortality." and we, the miserable sinners aforesaid, murmured a devout Amen! and about two o'clock a. m.

Mr. Boyd McNeil, of the registrar of deeds office,
Weymouth, spent a few days in town last week.
Mrs. Yerxa, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, who have
been visiting Mrs. Biden and Mrs. Milligan, returned to St. John on Wednesday.
Miss Mary Smith gave a whist party to a number
of her friends on Friday evening.

sinners aforesaid, murmured a devout Amen! and
then got up early on Monday morning and ran
around to the dressmakers. I suppose it is an ill wind
that blows nobody good, and that the dressmakers
are profiting by the whirl of gaiety, but that is
about the only mitigating circumstance I can see in
connection with it. By the way, I must try not to forget that I am

writing society news this week, and next, on ac-count of the illness of the regular correspondent, I am afraid the strain I have adopted will scarcely be popular with society people, but the work is a little out of my line, and I am apt to allow my convictions to run away with me.

The bachelors ball takes place tomorrow

bachelors who are taking this method of returning the hospitality shown them, have spared neither trouble nor expense to make it successful, but stil

Mrs. E. M. Estey wore a very pretty dress of black silk, with panels and trimmings of yellow.

Mrs. George C. Allen wore her wedding dress of cream colored bengaline silk, and chiffon with court

pink china silk.

Miss Addie McKean wore black silk with low bodice, and feather trimmings. Miss Maggie McKean wore one of the most effec-tive dresses in the room. It was of palest pink hen rietta cloth, with trimmings of moss green velvet and

Miss Cooke wore a pretty dress of cream color and yellow brocaded silk.

Miss Annie Cooke, a delicately tinted dress of

blue India silk and chiffon. these three lovely young ladies looked the best.

Miss Kelly, of Prince Edward Island, who has been visiting Mrs. Edward Halliburton, returned

sister, Mrs. R. W Thorne, of St. John. Mrs. Gordon Blair, who has been visiting friends in St. John, returned home last week.

Mr. W. E. Stavert, of Kingston, Jamiaca, who has been spending part of his vacation in Moncton, left

Mrs. W. B. McKenzie, whose household has fallen

college, where she is completing her education.

Many of the older residents of Moncton were grieved to hear, last week, of the death of Mrs. Boyer, widow of the Rev. W. N. Boyer first rector of St. George's church. Mrs. Boyer had many warm friends in Moncton, and though she had very nearly reached the alloted span, the death of an old friend always comes upon one with a sudden shock.

Mrs. Boyer was living with her daughter, Mrs.

Charles Du Chesne, of St. Eloise, Quebec.

The many friends of Mr. Geo. Taylor, general freight agent of the I C. R., are glad to see him

out again, after his severe attack of la grippe. I res ret very much to be obliged to chronicle the departure of Mr George W. Babbitt, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, which took place vesterday after-noon, Mr. Babbitt h ving been transferred to the head office at Halifax, with that awful suddenness which seems to characterize the actions of the powers that be in banking circles, and that reminds us, somehow, of the midnight arrests of the Russian secret police The victim is bounced upon before he has any idea of what is going to happen. Mr. Babbitt's removal will leave a vacancy in Moncton society that will long remain unfilled. He had been in town but five or six months, but yet he had made hosts of friends in that short time, both in business and social circles by his friendly disposi-tion and winning manner. He was an active mem-ber of the Y. M. C. A. and of St. George's church, and the many friends he has left behind him in the

D. L. Hanington.
Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins are the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. I. W. Binney.
Mr. William Cowling left town on Monday for
Toronto to be absent about ten days.

town yesterday, on his way to Ottawa. Would that we too had a representative on his way to Ottawa, and one who would look after the interests of the loyal conservatives, who have lately been dismissed from the I. C. R. shops, after half a life time of faith-ful service, and in the depth of winter, but somehow Saturday afternoon in going by the "rink" I was tempted to look in, and was not sorry that I had done so. Among the fancy skaters were the Misses Fawcett, Miss Dora Wood, the Misses Farley. Whitney, Weldon, Bigney and Woods.

Dominic.

FEB. 24 .- People from a distance, who read of the

The bachelors' ball takes place tomorrow night; I believe there are some five or six hundred invitations out, and the practical minded citizen who is acquainted with Babang's hall and its accommodations will pray most earnestly tonight that at least one half of those so honored will see the wisdom of declining, especially if he contemplates attending the ball himself, since the ball room is situated on the third story, and suspicious of its situated on the third story, and suspicious of its safety have been more than once expressed. I trust most devoutly that the ball may be a suc-cess, and I am sure it will be for the generous young

question of the wisdom of giving a public ball in Moncton this winter will arise; and whether it showed either good taste, or good feeling to carry out the arrangements for it, in spite of the deep trouble in which two of the members of the committee, Mr. F. W. Givan and Mr. T. C. Toole have been plunged, is a matter which the other members of the committee must settle to their own satisfaction.

rison's Orchestra, on account of a previous engage-ment, but as Moneton possesses a really excellent orchestra of its own, it has been wisely decided to employ local talent, and foster home industries, so to speak. I cannot help regretting that Euman's snow, Alexander's hall was well filled with a very Hall was not selected, as it is really a very charm-ing ball room; but I believe it was considered too small to accommodate the number who are expected Mrs. G. W. Sumner gave another of her delight. that everyone enjoyed themselves, from the mo-ment they entered the hospitable doors of "His Worship's" handsome house on Almer street until they bade their hostess good night far away in the small hours. The music was perfect and consisted of violin, piano and cornet, the rooms charmingly decorated and the supper a gastronomic poem.
Of course the girls looked lovely, though it was scarcely to be expected that there would be many new dresses when the ball was coming off so soon; still some of them were quite pretty enough for

description.

Mrs. T. V. Cooke looked very handsome in a dress of black silk with court train, and trimmed with chiffon.

Mrs. R. W. Hewson who is a stately blonde, wore a trained dress of cream colored silk and lace which Mrs. C. F. Hannington wore a lovely dress of blue

Miss Forster looked charming in a dress of pale

figured India silk.

Miss Nicholson wore a charming dress of pale I believe competent judges considered that the honors of belieship were divided between Mrs. George Allen, Miss Nicholson and Miss Forster, and it would certainly be very hard to say which of

home today.

Miss Hennigar is spending a few weeks with her

last week for Annapolis to relieve the local manager, who is ill. I believe Mrs. Stavert will join him this Congratulation are being showered upon Mr. and

under the sway of a new ruler who holds the sceptre with a relentless hand. The new sovereign is a queen, and long may she reign.

Miss Bruce spent a few days at home this week, returning on Monday to Mount Allison ladies

city of smoke wish him all possible prosperity in his new home.

A meeting of the deanery of Shediac was held in Moneton yesterday, and a special service in St. George's church last evening. The clergymen 'aking part were the Rev. J. Roy Campbell of Dorchester, rural dean; the Rev. C. F. Wiggins of Sackville; the Rev. C. E. McKenzie of Shediac, and the Revs. Richard Simonds and E. Bertram Hooper of Moncton. The meeting was also addressed by the Hon.

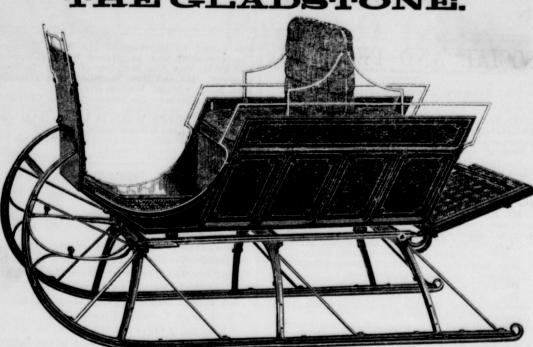
Miss Emma Condon, one of our most popular coung teachers, left town on Monday to attend the Normal school at Fredericton.

The many friends of Mr. John Baird of High-field street, will be glad to hear that his illness is

town for a short time, on Monday.

Dr. Weldon, M.P. for Albert county, was also in

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FEB. 24-The much discussed question of our new hotel has been solved, I believe, in the usual way, and goes to swell the long list of Dorchester's might-have beens! It seems hard to believe that with the sum subscribed, only a thousand short of the proposed amount, our business men are going to tamely subside, and let matters stand as they are. But does not some one say it is no sign of a gentleman to be in a hurry? Briefly, if that be the hall mark then are we quite well supplied with nature's noblemen! Perhaps those thousand dollars will come round if we wait long enough, but "I doubt t, said the carpenter, and shed a bitter tear." Meanwhile the wary traveller goes farther and fares etter. It is a burning shame, but so it is, and 1 suppose this ends every prospect of improvement until some discriminating fire removes the present

Quite a number of Dorchester people went to Sackville on Friday, to enjoy the concert given by the Methodist choir. It is a great advantage to a country town to possess such a musical necleus as is gathered in the institutions there, and one which we are inclined to envy them. Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mrs. H. W. Palmer, Mrs. H. R. Emmerson, Mrs. A. J. Hickman, Miss Hanington, Messrs. B. B. Teed, and J. W. Y. Smith comprised the party who

Miss Wright and Miss Nellie Palmer came on Saturday, to spend Sunday with Mrs Palmer, who drove them back to Sackville on Monday. I am sorely afraid that the good sleighing is nearly over for this year, because, if we do have snow in March it is too spasmodic, so to speak, piling up feet deep in some places, and be-towing none at all in others. Mr. M. L. Lane sp. nt Sunday in St. John, returning Monday evening.

Rev. Mr. Campbell went to Moncton yesterday to attend a meeting of the Shediac Deanery.

Mr and Mrs. R. P. Foster of Sackville and Miss Lawton, of St. John, drove over yesterday, and spent the afternoon with Mrs. Hannington, who invited a few friends to five o'clock tea, in their I believe quite a large party will go from here to the Moneton ball, about fifteen of our youth and

There are rumors of a party to be given in Dor-chester; but Lent is near, and I fancy it will fail to connect, like most of our schemes. Miss Hanington went to Moncton this morning, to Mr. R. W. Hanington is expected from Halifax his evening, I believe. The Misses Backhouse, who have been laid up with severe colds, are recovering.

Mrs. P. A. Landry gave a large party last

Wednesday evening for the children, and to say they enjoyed it does not express it. Drive whist

shades of my youth) and dancing were the amuse

ments, and a delicious supper brought a very happy evening to a close. Thysme.

KINGSTON, K. C. FEB. 23-Mr. J. S. McLaren of St. John, who has been spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. Hazen Russ, returned home today.

Dr. Peel Doberty of Moncton, spent Sunday here.

Miss Mary Main and Miss Birdie Smith, who Saturday evening the senior class of the Univer-ity of Mt. Allison gave the annual "at home" in the lungs. He will be quite himself again in a short Andrews, St. Stephen and elsewhere, returned home Andrews, St. Stephen and elsewhere, returned home Mr. Tom Main of St. Stephen, is visiting friends at "Baldoon Place."

A number of the young people organized a driving party up to the residence of Mr. Robert Doherty at St. Nicholas River, and after spending a delightful evening there returned somewhere in the wee sma' Miss Mary Main entertained a number of her friends at "The Hermitage" last night.

Mr. C. Holding of St. John, who has been visiting friends here, returned to St. John today.

SHEFFIELD.

FEB. 17 .- Mr. Harry Bridges has gone to Belle ville, Ontario, to attend the business college. Miss Rosella Burpee is home from Fredericton. The At Home was held at the residence of Mrs. William Harrison, on Thursday evening. Owing to the disagreeable weather, only a few were present. Though those who went spent a most enjoyable

Mrs. Jack Bridge's little daughter, Jean, has been very ill, but is now improving.

Miss Mabel McLean has returned from her visit to friends in Boston. Miss Harrison is home from her visit in Wood

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