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JAN. 13.—We are certainly experiencing lately a period of dullness, woefully like what is known in London as the "silly season." It is not due to the absence from town of our grandees, however; we could survive that; but it is one more item in the long score against the weather, that alternately praised and abused fetic of the English speaking race. If we had only frost and snow, we should have skating and sleighing, which means we should become frivolous at once, forget our bills and the possibility of settling them, and go in for winter sports with vigor. Instead of which we are occupied with visiting, gossip, and politics; every man to his humor.

Mr. and Mrs. Troubridge returned last Friday from their visit to Montreal, where they received much attention, many invitations, and were excellently treated in general. I hear they were unfortunately obliged to miss the Kennel club's ball, in order to reach Halifax in time to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Duffus before going to Bermuda.

Mrs. Troubridge has very sensibly not followed the old custom of being "at home" to every one for two or three consecutive afternoons; a martyrdom which the old fashioned orthodox man considered unavoidable; but has been "at home" every afternoon after five only.

On Saturday afternoon there were as many people to be seen riding as though the season had been May. Mrs. Reader had a riding party, which was a happy idea on such a delicious afternoon, though people were obliged to stick to the roads pretty well, cross-country work—at best rather a farce—being out of the question.

On Sunday night there were the usual small suppers at various houses, which I should not mention were it not for the fact that a great many people have a deeply rooted prejudice against such suppers as being works of necessity or mercy. Every one must judge for himself whether or not they are a necessary evil, or a necessary good. At six, seriously imperils the soul's salvation; if it does, what must be the future condition of a man now living in New York, who has every Sunday evening after church an informal reception of 30 or 40 young people, to whom a hot supper is served at eleven?

After this example of depravity we should be permitted to have our simple meal, with its four or five guests, without such a comment from other people not blessed with such robust appetites. As far as "extra work for the servants" is concerned, there is infinitely less in laying a comfortable supper table than in repairing the ravages and accidents made and occurring to the amateur forager in the larder and pantry, and is, in fact, if a man, to pursue his researches in the dark.

I am given to understand that a rising light of the medical profession is about to leave the ranks of bachelorhood and become a benefactor. The lady in the case is not a Haligonian but a native of St. John, a place to which we are already indebted for three young and charming daughters.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. W. Duffus had a very pleasant tea for Mrs. Troubridge, comprising of course all the beauty and fashion of the town. This afternoon Mrs. F. Jones has a small musical tea.

On Monday evening Mrs. William Stairs gave a small dinner in honor of Mrs. Troubridge. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stairs, Mr. and Mrs. W. Duffus, Mr. and Mrs. Morrow, and Miss H. Stairs. The bride did not, I hear, wear her wedding dress, but a black evening gown; her wedding dress having been packed ready for her departure for Bermuda, which took place yesterday.

On Tuesday Mrs. Daly gave a dinner at Government house, and another at another place. Among the list of people bidden to the feast were: Mr. and Mrs. Stairs, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Jones, Captain Mrs. and Miss Clarkson, Miss Roberts, Miss Nagle, Miss Kenney, Mr. W. Thomson, Colonel Saunders, Major Brady, etc. Mrs. Daly is an excellent hostess and is famous for the success and brilliancy of her dinners. Miss Daly was, I am glad to hear, quite recovered from her recent attacks of "grippe."

Tuesday and Thursday evenings were also to have been sacred concerts, one of which only took place, as the illness of Mr. Klugefeldt necessitated the postponement of the Orpheus club's entertainment for another week.

Mr. Deane's concert on Tuesday evening was not, I am sorry to say, too well attended, but it was musically considered a success, which ought to go far to console its originator for a not too numerous audience. The best thing in the performance was Mr. Currie's singing, which was most artistic and charming. Mrs. Clarkson sang in that trustworthy manner which makes her so valuable in the auxiliary of the Orpheus club, and had chosen pretty if not remarkably well. She looked, as usual, exceedingly well. Mr. Deane played six of his own compositions.

There have been the usual amount of small teas and card parties during this week, especially in the extremely southern end of the town, which has, like the extreme north, a self contained society of its own. By the way, I heard one of these districts described the other day as "Truro translated." I have not the hardihood to say which of the two it was!

Every one has been sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mr. Hugh Ross, who spent some time here about a year ago shortly before he joined the service. Sir John Ross had only just reached England and been met by his son when the latter was attacked with typhoid and at the time of writing the letter which was received here this week, still very dangerously ill. Mr. Ross's illness is all the more to be regretted from the fact that his exceedingly short, very little over two months, and his plans have been so deranged that he will have very little benefit of his stay in England. Mr. Ross has certainly been most unfortunate this year, as the sad death of his niece Miss Buchan effectually put an end to all enjoyment this summer, and now his son's illness bids fair to spoil his winter's visit to his own home. The news was received by letter, not by cable, as was stated; so it is to be hoped that by this time Mr. Ross has pretty well turned the corner of even that long and tedious illness, typhoid fever.

Mrs. and the Misses Keith are the latest additions to the list of absentees for this winter. They are leaving this week for one of the winter resorts in the Southern States, and will not return till the spring. If the climate here, however, continues to show its present clemency, Halifax will soon be a "winter resort" itself. Kidding parties instead of skating parties, in the middle of January are certainly not what we were taught to expect in our youth; but so it is in this present year of grace.

DARTMOUTH.

JAN. 13.—A very enjoyable entertainment was given last week in Christ church school room, at which a good programme of recitations, etc., was provided. Mrs. H. S. Creighton as usual being fully appreciated. Miss Edith Weeks, too, is an eloquentist of no mean order, and her selection was well rendered. The young people of Christ church are indefatigable, and I believe early in February are to give another of their popular concerts, the proceeds to go towards the building fund for a young men's institute, something very much needed on this side of the water.

Christ church has lately had a handsome bequest from the late J. W. Turner, which will no doubt come in very opportunely, as they are just now getting a new and expensive organ and putting in heating apparatus as well. It is to be hoped Mr. Turner's example will be followed by others, for as a rule Dartmouth church has generally escaped any legacies.

Mrs. Turner has been quite ill since her husband's death, but I am glad to say is recovering, her two sisters, the Misses Foster, have also been very ill.

Mrs. Gerald Troop, of Bridgetown, spent part of last week at "Hazelhurst."

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Mrs. F. C. Elliott has been very ill with inflammation of the lungs, but is somewhat better. Mr. Jack Creighton, who has been another victim to the grippe is about convalescent.

The monthly meeting of the "King's daughters" was held on Monday at Mr. G. G. Desautels'. Mr. George J. Troop and family will remain in Dartmouth all winter instead of going to Halifax as has been their custom for the last two or three winters. Mrs. Nickerson and children will remain with her family for some weeks longer.

Mr. Prescott Johnstone and Miss Johnstone have both been ill, but are much better.

The fortnightly club meets tonight at Dr. Milson's, so it will be unable to say anything about it till next week.

It was too bad the young man did not get the Christmas box from his "best girl" until after Sunday, but it will make as great an impression any other time—Easter is not far off!

Miss Kate Prescott returned last week from New Brunswick, and has since been quite ill with the grippe.

AMHERST.

[Progress is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas, at the Western Union Telegraph office.]

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Miss Lena Sutcliffe is now in town visiting her many relatives.

Mrs. R. C. Fuller gave an exceedingly pleasant party on Thursday evening of last week, and another on Wednesday evening of this week, cards and dancing.

There was another quiet marriage on Tuesday evening of eight o'clock, in which Mrs. Eliza Black, and Mr. John Church, were the principals. Rev. Mr. Strothard officiated. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride who wore a very neat and pretty brown costume. Only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties were present. Among them were: Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Black, Hon. Hiram and Mrs. Black, Mrs. Elderkin, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Mrs. and Mrs. Church, Mrs. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Doull. The bride was given away by her brother, Hon. Hiram Black.

Since the death of Mr. Chubbuck, of Dorchester, Mass., Mrs. Chubbuck and little son have moved to town, and are residing with her mother, Mrs. McCully.

Mrs. A. Wilbur Douglas gave a dance on Monday evening in honor of Mr. F. S. Dieckey.

Miss Miles gave a pleasant afternoon tea to her friends on Wednesday.

Miss Cutler entertained a number of her friends on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fillmore returned last week from their bridal tour. Mrs. Fillmore was "at home" to her numerous circle of friends on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at her parents' residence. Her reception gown was black silk, corsage bouquet of lovely hot-house flowers. Mrs. J. Inglis Bent assisted her in receiving.

Mrs. James Purdy had an afternoon tea on Saturday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Alfred Chipman, of Moncton, were in town to attend the latter's sister's marriage.

Dr. A. S. Townshend, of Parrsboro, was in town last Thursday.

Mr. Henry Black, of Pugwash, was in town this week.

PUGWASH.

Mr. Fred Bent left this week for Sackville to enter college.

Miss Maud Bent leaves to day to visit her many friends in Truro, Halifax and Windsor.

Mr. A. Wilson has been appointed sub-collector of customs for this port in place of Mr. Henry Black who has been superannuated.

Rev. John E. and Mrs. Warner have been in town since last Tuesday week. Mr. Warner is suffering from a severe cold which prevented him from preaching in St. George's church last Sunday. Much to the disappointment of his old friends as he is a native of this town. They expect to leave for Wales to make a tour. Mrs. Warner's sister, a visit.

CLIMAX.

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TRURO, N. S.

[Progress is for sale in Truro at Mr. G. O. Fulton's.]

JAN. 13.—Miss Lizzie Putnam, of Maitland, daughter of M. A. Putnam, M. P., is in town visiting Mrs. Capt. Fleming.

Mr. J. J. Snook left on Friday last for his usual trip to some of the principal Canadian and American cities.

The birthday reception at the cedars last Thursday night, given by Mr. and Mrs. T. G. McMillen in honor of their daughter, Miss Fannie McMillen, was an unequalled success. The house, within, presented a very brilliant appearance. The lofty, beautifully appointed rooms and halls, lighted throughout with the incandescent, arranged in clusters, the light shining beautifully softened through many tinted globes.

Mrs. and Mrs. McMillen and Miss McMillen received their guests in the large drawing-room to the right of the entrance. Mrs. McMillen was attired in a handsome gown of heavy gray silk. Miss McMillen looked very lovely in a beautiful gown of white china silk, profusely decorated with natural ivory leaves; ornaments diamonds.

Among the ladies' toilettes were many very elegant ones. There was some diversity of opinion as to who was the "belle of the ball." Some thought that Miss Hattie Rennie, a pretty blonde, attired in pale blue nun's-veiling with trimmings of satin and lace, and looking serenely lovely, should be awarded the prize, whilst others who found greater perfection of loveliness in Miss Winnie Hyde, a tall and stately brunette of fine presence, gowned in antique cream, broadcated silk, en train, diamond ornaments.

Miss Flora Hyde wore scarlet fish-net, natural flowers.

Mrs. Thos. McLean looked charming in a toilet of white silk, en train, ostrich feathers.

Mrs. S. E. Goudie, another young and charming matron, looked well, attired in pink satin, trimmings of watered ribbon.

Mrs. J. H. McKay, pink satin tulle overdress, caught up with bunches of roses.

Mrs. E. F. Wilson, old-rose satin.

Miss Jean Crowe, goblin blue satin en train corsage bouquet of roses.

Mrs. W. R. Campbell, figured silk gown, a la princesse.

Miss Maie Smith, figured honnetta, low-cut bodice and short sleeves.

Miss Flo Tupper, pale blue nun's-veiling.

Miss Snook, cream silk, lace trimming.

Miss Irene McDowell, white satin, pale blue trimmings.

Miss Wilson, red and white striped silk.

Miss Teresa Ready, dull red silk, black lace over dress.

Miss Maie Keltie, pink cashmere, net over dress, bodice of pink satin.

Among the gentlemen were: Mr. S. E. Goudie, Dr. J. H. McKay, Dr. Yost, Capt. Hayden, Mr. Bowers, Mr. E. R. Stuart, Mr. E. F. Wilson, Messrs. Spencer, Tabor Cooke, A. McCullough, E. Smith, W. Crowe, H. C. T. Yall, H. E. Fulton, W. Smith, R. Eaton, C. K. Coleman, Harry McDougall, Mr. T. W. McLean, Mr. Geo. Hall, Mr. W. R. Campbell, Mr. Fraser, Mr. D. C. McDougall.

The dining room and reception rooms thrown into one were utilized for dancing, the floors with their polished surfaces facilitating the art. terpsichorean. The affability and charming demeanor of Mr. and Mrs. McMillen towards their guests will be long remembered by their delighted guests. The elegant repast served about midnight was a principal feature of this most charming occasion, offering as it did every delicacy from the devices of a skilful chef. Dancing was kept up until long into the small hours.

Mr. Frank Smith is quite ill with the grippe.

Mr. Richard Craig, our popular ex-mayor, is ill at his home, Willow street.

Mrs. W. H. Snook gave a young people's party last night.

Mrs. Edward Smith, of Halifax, was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Alexander Ross, last Sunday and Monday, returning to town Monday evening.

Mr. Jack Hardy, Charlottetown, was a guest of his former host student, Mr. E. A. Stuart, last Sunday and Monday. Mr. Hardy is en route to Vancouver, B. C., where he takes a position as organist in one of the Episcopal churches there.

Mr. Cooke's many friends will be glad to see him able to again attend to his bank duties, after his severe though short illness.

There was a very pleasant social affair at Mrs. E. F. Wilson's last night, a young party, and the number of young people enjoyed a most pleasant dance.

Mr. Eaton has severed his connection with Wm. Cummings & Sons, and is now with others actively working a bona fide gold mine on his father's estate, Salmon river.

Miss Agnes Putnam, Maitland, is visiting at her grandfather's, Mr. J. K. Blair's, Halifax road.

Mr. H. C. Blair is quite ill again with the grippe and bronchial trouble.

Mr. R. T. Craig spent Sunday and Monday in Halifax, where Mrs. Craig is at present.

Mr. Albert Black and his wife, last Sunday and Monday, were in town on Monday en route for Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Mr. D. A. Bishop returned last Saturday night from his European trip.

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DIGBY, N. S.

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Mr. G. D. Campbell, of Meymouth, was in town on Saturday.

Miss Emma Smallpe is out again after a severe illness.

Miss Maud Crozier, of Annapolis, spent Sunday in Digby, the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. A. C. Balinard.

Mr. Bert Ross, of Yarmouth, was at the Royal on Friday.

Mr. E. Burnham is confined to his house by an attack of the grippe.

Messrs. Frank Rice, Frank Baskin, Geo. Turnbull and W. T. Woodman returned to Dalhousie on Saturday last.

Miss Mary Short has gone to Moncton to spend the winter.

Dr. and Mrs. Moody of Windsor were in town a day last week on their way home from Yarmouth. Mrs. Moody was formerly a Digby lady, and her many friends were delighted to see her.

Mrs. W. E. Brown gave a party for her little daughter Miss Helen on Monday evening.

A surprise party was given at the residence of Mr. M. L. Oliver on Thursday evening by some of our young ladies. A large number were present and whiled away the hours with cards and dancing.

Miss Janet Baskin of St. John is visiting her mother Mrs. J. B. Baskin.

Mr. Fulton Elias was in town on Wednesday on his way to Annapolis to attend the carnival.

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What is one to say to a new doctor? I don't feel quite like wishing him success, but would like to do the proper thing. At least I will wish Dr. Hare a share of all that is going.

Mr. Will Bingham, son of Dr. Bingham, who resided here a few years ago, is in town, engaged in electrical business.

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JAN. 13.—In these dull times a dance is something to think about for days before and after, and Mrs. Ritchie gave a delightful one on Thursday. Her new house is particularly well adapted for entertaining. The guests danced in the two parlors, while those who preferred it played cards in the study. Supper was served at 12 and the party broke up about 3 a.m.

Among those present were Mrs. Corbitt, Mrs. Jameson, Mrs. W. McCormick, Mrs. C. McCormick, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. F. C. Whitman, Mrs. Gills