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HALIFAX NOTES.

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Dissection reigns in society, in feminine society rather, on the subject of the ladies' ball. There are three distinct parties all very earnest, and all anxious for different things. The smallest of these opposing camps does not want a ball at all, and with good sense and dignity on its side cannot see any need for such a function. Another division would like to limit the subscribers to say twenty ladies, each of whom would give twenty or twenty-five dollars to the fund, and thus be able to give a very good dance, for which they would receive some credit, and return with propriety some of the hospitality they had received. The smallest of these would be rather inflexible, and the number of guests who must necessarily be invited by the multitude of subscribers will make too great a crowd for the original proposal of gathering together as many ladies as possible to subscribe six dollars in addition to a substantial donation to the supper table. The objection to this last plan is that the credit divided between society hostesses will be rather infinitesimal, and the number of guests who must necessarily be invited by the multitude of subscribers will make too great a crowd for the original proposal of gathering together as many ladies as possible to subscribe six dollars in addition to a substantial donation to the supper table.

It is not often that three bishops make a passage in one steamer, but when Dr. Courtenay came from England last week he was accompanied by two other magnates of the church on the voyage.

The clergy in general seem to have a predilection for going to sea during Lent. Certainly, if mortification of the flesh is in view, the representatives of the church if they happen to have a tendency to seasickness, obtain their object with the most successful results. Also, it deprives fasting of its terrors. Champagne and a dry biscuit are ample diet at sea, whereas on land they would approach starvation. Bishop Courtenay looks wonderfully well, and has it to be hoped made a complete recovery. In spite of the fatigue of the voyage, he preached on Sunday evening at the church which had gathered to welcome him. Mrs. Courtenay has remained in England, where the Rev. W. B. King goes very soon on a short holiday.

This is the time for moving and housefurnishing and those that are not willing to be heavy buyers at present and are busy furnishing their houses. Two medical gentlemen are the most prominent among these. One is refurnishing the house in which he now lives in most gorgeous style, and the other has taken a house on Pleasant street, opposite the old Dennis-on property and which is being done up from top to bottom for his reception. Halifax is certainly an easy place in which to furnish a house because it is without doubt the best of salesmen. The best of things may be picked up very cheaply.

Capt. and Mrs. Gausson, who are giving up their home in Morris street, will go to Bedford for the summer.

The Hon. Charles and Mrs. Alexander will probably spend the summer in Halifax with their children, and will take a house at the Arm if one can be procured for them.

Mr. John A. Morse has taken Bilton cottage, and Mr. A. E. Jones, as previously reported, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, I understand, having resigned in favor of the Oaks.

Mrs. and Miss Morrow have returned to Birchem for the summer. Miss Morrow's marriage has been fixed for the first of June, but she will return to Birchem after her wedding journey and remain there until Major Bor is ordered away.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wyde are expected in a week or two from England, where they have been staying with their daughter, Mrs. Dixon.

Mrs. Macfarvey, whose husband died so suddenly and sadly last week, has taken a house at Hillside hall.

Surgeon-Captain and Mrs. Fowler will spend the summer at McNab's Island, Province Major Borman remaining in Halifax.

Colonel and Mrs. Rolph are expected from Bermuda in the next boat. Mrs. Rolph's health is, I am glad to say, much improved.

The first arrival of the season among the men of war on this station is the Pelican, which is commanded by Capt. Goldie, who is so well known here. She will, however, only make a very short stay in Halifax.

The Wanderers have hit on an enormous attraction for their dramatic performances in May. Mr. Currie whose ability in the musical way is so well known, and who possesses the most perfect voice for anything comic, will bring his "La-ra-ra-Boom-de-ay" which can easily be introduced in "Our Regt. ment. Here is a draw, you like, and a chance to show off their new livery. Two dresses in particular have been ordered, one a white corduroy, and another fawn-tweed, and both of these were to have astonished the community at the Races.

On Tuesday Mrs. Norman Lee gave a small tea, and on Wednesday Mrs. Wallace Graham was at home in her pretty house on South Park street. Bishop Courtenay was the guest of honor, and a great many people came and went during the afternoon.

Many ladies will be much disappointed on account of the races not going on. The Ladies' Association has the custom for many years for Society to order her new gowns, so as to have it in time for the local Asso. But now some dresses have been ordered, and the occasion exists not for the wearing of them. It is to be hoped that Sir John Ross or the new Admiral will give a large garden party about this time, so as to let these disappointed ones have a chance to show off their new livery. Two dresses in particular have been ordered, one a white corduroy, and another fawn-tweed, and both of these were to have astonished the community at the Races.

There is more than a usual amount of excitement over the civic elections which take place next week owing to the fact that a different class will be represented. And if three of the would-be aldermen are elected, we will see three society ladies representing the city, a thing unheard of for many years. Then perhaps, if things go on, we will have the civic authorities taking their proper place in society and the representatives of the city in social affairs. There is no doubt but that the mayor ought to be the head of the city and that the mayors ought to be the head of the city (by-election) but now, since we even hear the name of the mayors mentioned at all, almost never. It is to be hoped these candidates will be elected, as an encouragement to other aspirants after civil honors. Then the day may not be far off when the council will be council and the feminine part of it will be the dictators in the world of fun and fashion. How much better it would be if such a state of things could be brought about, and how much desired by all. Then let us hope that the idea will not be nipped in the bud of its birth next week.

Capt. Boleian is the third victim to scarlet fever among the R. A. and R. E. and I am sorry to hear that his case has been of a more severe kind than that of either Capt. Molony or Mr. Elliott, both of whom are on a fair way to recovery.

A revolution is most imminent in the fashion of sleeves. A dress which has come out from England to one of the bristles elect next month has sleeves with merely the remnant of a puff on the shoulder, but quite enormous at the elbow. What is the woman inclined to *embroider* to do? For the new sleeve will add quite six inches to the apparent width of the figure at the waist.

Mr. Lucius Boyd has returned to Halifax from Waverly, but will go to England quite soon.

The season of Mayflower parties has arrived, and on Monday there was a small one across the N. W. Arm, which did not obtain very much in the way of flowers. Indeed they are scarce as yet, the season having been so dry and alternately hot and cold.

On Wednesday a second walking party got up by the train. The party went by train to Rockingham, and walked from there to Bedford where they had tea at Morrison's and returned by the five o'clock train. It was intended at first to have dined at the Bedford and to have returned to town by one of the evening trains, but this arrangement was altered at the last moment. Miss Josie went quite a whirl of dissipation came in with Easter week in the way of public amusements. Miss Josie

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Mills at the Academy had had fair audiences owing to the many other attractions. The principal among which were the Easter entertainment at St. Mary's hall on Monday and Tuesday, and the "Rainbow" fair at the Church of England Institute on Wednesday and Thursday. The great feature of the former entertainment was the first appearance of Miss May Pielan, whose charming dancing made her a favorite at once. She is very graceful in all her movements and gave quite a wonderful performance for an amateur.

The ladies who were in charge of the Rainbow fair certainly seem to have made a success of it. The idea of having Zera Semon give a parlor entertainment on the second evening was capital, and drew even better than the concert.

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

APRIL 20.—Miss Ritchie is visiting friends in Amherst.

Hon. Senator, Mrs. and Miss McKay returned last week from Ottawa.

Mr. Will McKay is home from college at Windsor. Mr. Edward Annand is enjoying his Easter vacation among home friends.

Miss Maud Archibald is spending Easter among home friends.

Miss Emma Snook, of the Church college, Windsor, is home for a few days.

Mrs. J. B. Calkin is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Carson in Pictou.

Mrs. Alvin Craig is here from Pictou, visiting relatives.

Mr. Campbell, Tatamagouche, is a guest of her son Mr. George E. Campbell, Halifax Road.

Mrs. Lawrence, of the young ladies college, Halifax, is spending the Easter holidays among relatives here.

Dr. Hartley Jacques, superintendent of Victoria general hospital, Halifax, was in town over Sunday.

Mr. S. E. Bignow, is home from New York, delighting home friends with the light of his charming presence.

Messrs. G. W. Steins and Geo. Lyde of the Halifax Banking Co., Halifax, were in town over Sunday. Mr. Stein's many friends here are always glad to see him in town. Mr. Stein is now teller in the head office, Halifax.

Mr. A. S. Murphy, the popular proprietor of the Hotel Stanley, left for Wallace yesterday, where he is to be seen in connection with the most interesting event—his marriage with Miss A. E. Flinn, daughter of the late Thomas Flinn, of Wallace.

Mr. F. W. Dimock spent Sunday among Truro friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Yull and family and Mr. H. C. C. Yull drove to Great Village last Friday where they spent the day.

Mayor Thomas and Mr. L. E. Gourley have been in Halifax for a day or two this week on business.

Mr. G. A. Marsters, accountant in the Bank of Nova Scotia, Kentville, returned home on Monday, after spending a few days among Truro friends.

Master Melville Cumming, eldest son of Rev. Thos. Cumming, was the successful academy student who was awarded the gold medal, donated by Dr. Langille. Master Cumming was also the recipient of a handsome bound volume of "Modern Poets."

Rev. E. B. Moore, of Halifax, will occupy his former pulpit, in the Methodist church here, next Sunday.

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AMHERST.

[PROGRESS is for sale at Amherst, by George Douglas and H. A. Hillcoat.]

APRIL 20.—The Easter season has scarcely aroused society to the extent I hoped for, but musically we are above any preceding year. Our soloists are in constant demand, although, owing to the trying severity of our climate upon the throats of the soloists, they are rarely heard at their very best. The music on Easter Sunday in the various churches was fully up to the average, as far as I could ascertain, excepting that of the Baptist congregation, whose choir seemingly have chosen the most unpropitious season for abdication. My attention was divided between the two denominations who at present claim the best organists. I was therefore greatly disappointed to find Prof. Max Sterne unavoidably absent from his post in St. Stephen church, although his place was ably filled by Mr. F. W. Kelly who conducted the music in a bright and inspiring manner. The floral decorations were very beautiful and rare. The services in Christ church were more elaborate than the day, and pronounced by competent critics the grandest ever heard there. The music of the morning service was so favorably reported that the church was literally packed to its utmost seating capacity in the evening. The floral contributions were very nicely arranged, but would certainly have been more effective if those in front of the church had not been quite so high in front of the choir, who acquired themselves very creditably. The "Magnificent" and "Nunc Dimittis" was especially arranged by Prof. Barnaby, the proficient organist and choir master, and was greatly rendered to the honor of his first appearance. "Calvary" was sung for an offertory solo by Miss Campbell in her finished style. And the Rev. Mr. Harris chose the "Te Deum" for the subject of his evening's discourse that grand hymn of praise by Jackson was very appropriately sung at the close of the close of the services, and the fine bass voice of Mr. H. Hillcoat was never heard to better effect than in the rendition of that grand piece which fully convinced all listeners that the organist was the right man in the right place. It was very pleasing to hear the familiar tones of Mr. Wood's fine tenor voice again, and I hope that the organist will be a permanent one in Amherst instead of Moncton. Mrs. C. O. Tupper returned home last week after a lengthy visit to Yarmouth and other western towns.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Curry have also arrived from a trip to Bermuda. Judging from the marked improvement in Mr. Curry's health the land of lilacs must be the proper resort for invalids.

Mr. D. M. Fride has returned from a visit to friends in New Brunswick.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lamy have gone to St. John and if rumor goes for anything the leading furnishing houses will be much the gainers for their trip. Paternal honors are gathering around the home of Mr. Frank Black and the many friends of the happy couple are receiving congratulations this week on the arrival of a young son.

Mrs. Johnson of Pugwash, was the guest of Mrs. Rains Bent, Victoria street, for the past week.

Mr. J. S. Kennedy of Halifax, was in town over Sunday.

Mr. Walter More, who was home for Easter, returned to Halifax on Monday.

I hear that Mr. Geo. Hillcoat has secured a pretty cottage in town and intends moving his family here the first of next month.

Miss Flora Nelson of Truro, who is attending school at Mount Allison, spent the Easter holidays in town, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. D. S. Chapman, Church street.

Miss Vroom of Bear River, was a guest of Mrs. Harris, at the vicarage, over Sunday.

Miss Landers and Miss Mack of Sackville, were in town Friday.

Mr. Amos Purdy returned the latter part of the week from New York, accompanied by Mrs. Purdy, who seems much improved by the trip.

Mrs. H. Dunlap has gone to River Hibbert for a few days.

Miss Theresa Hay, of Dorchester, spent the past week with Mrs. W. Dougllass, Victoria street.

Quite a number of Mr. W. Slep's most intimate friends gathered at his home on Saturday evening to a farewell party. Mr. Slep left by Monday evening's train for Chicago, where he expects to take a vacation after visiting Montreal and Ottawa.

Miss Edna Moffat gave a very social and pleasant afternoon tea on Saturday. Among the guests present were: Mr. H. Miles, the Misses Purdy, McCully, Kent, Harding, Black, Lowther, Campbell, Christie, Page, and Miss Rich (Truro), Miss Seaborn (Sackville), Miss Rice (Bear River), and Mr. Harold Main spent Sunday with friends in Moncton.

Miss Helen left on Monday to visit her home at Niagara.

Senator Dickie returned from Ottawa the middle of last week in order to accompany Mrs. Dickie to Halifax, where she went to take passage to London to visit her daughter and other friends. She expects to be absent until mid-summer. I wish this estimate an enjoyable time on her voyage and a safe return to her many warm friends here. The senator returned to Amherst for Easter, and left for Ottawa again on the first of the week.

The "at home" by the mansions this evening bids fair to be a very delightful time, as the entertainment furnished is of the highest order. In their hall in Black's block, has been beautifully decorated for the occasion. MARSH MALLOW.

BRIDGETOWN.

APRIL 19.—Mrs. T. D. Ruzgled died on Friday morning last. Although she had been ill for some time, it was not supposed she was at all dangerous, until within a few hours of her death. The deceased leaves a husband, five sons and one daughter to mourn the loss of a kind wife and mother.

Rev. H. D. DeBerle and wife spent Saturday in town.

Miss Reinecence of Annapolis has been visiting her aunt, Robert Randolph.

Mr. Henry Fowler, of Kentville, has been spending a few days in town.

Judge Cowling and son, of Annapolis, were in town on Sunday.

Master Richard McGivern, who has been spending his Easter holidays with his parents here, will return to Hallow's school this week.

Mrs. DeL'Isle's son has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hastings Freeman, of Halifax, returned home on Monday.

Judge Johnston and son, of Dartmouth, returned home today, having come here to be present at the funeral of Mrs. Buglies, the latter's mother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hall, who have been spending the winter with Mr. Dana Bath, returned to her friends across the border on Wednesday last.

Mr. Wm. Snyder is in town, and expects to remain for the summer. He intends studying law with Messrs. Daniels & Miller.

A very pleasant party was given at the residence of Mr. John E. Sagon on Friday evening last.

Mrs. Henry Jefferson returned on Monday from Halifax, after placing her two grand-children, aged two and four, in charge of the stewardess on the steamer *Georgian*. They will cross the Atlantic and be met on the other side by their parents, whom they have not seen for nearly two years.

Mr. Webb, of Halifax, was the guest of Rev. J. M. Young for a few days last week.

Miss Snyder of Round Hill, has been visiting friends here.

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