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HALIFAX NOTES.

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My account of last week's race meeting was unfortunately too late for insertion; for which I was sorry, as there were a great number of pretty frocks to describe, society having turned out very smartly for the occasion. There will be no such field day for "best hats" for some time, as there has been a great deficit in this summer's list of garden parties. This week has seemed a particularly quiet one, except for the ladies perhaps who have been actively engaged at the bazaar; which has not, I am sorry to say, done as well as it should have done. The more people were not buying was that at this season they are devoting their spare funds to present amusements or future garments; there is not the demand for needle work of any sort which returns toward the Christmas holidays. Certainly the bazaar has been a good one, and no stone has been left unturned to make it a successful one, yet though it was crowded with spectators, they were spectators only. On Thursday night there were tremendous bargains to be had in really beautiful things. The amount realized I have not yet heard.

On Tuesday evening Sir John and Miss Ross, Mayor and Mrs. Wilson and Colonel Hill left in their private car for Vancouver. Some of the party will be away for two months, as it is their intention to visit Niagara and various other places on their return journey.

Captain Dopping-Hepentall and Lieutenant Edwards have returned from their expedition to the Rev. W. B. King has also been spending a week in his old parish on his way from England to Cambridge, Mass. I hear that on taking up his charge, he will be a guest for the first time in the home of Professor and Mrs. de Smet.

Next week the Lieutenant-Governor and the Archbishop leave Halifax on an expedition to the Pacific coast. Mr. Daly will be absent only for some six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jordan, as I stated some six weeks ago, will arrive in Halifax very shortly, and I understand will be the guest of Mrs. Charles Tupper.

Miss Ritchie, of Ottawa, has returned to her home after a short visit to Halifax.

Miss Beer, of St. John, also left this week. Professor Schurman of Cornell university, is spending a few days in Halifax, where Mrs. Schurman has been staying for the greater part of the summer.

Mrs. W. J. Stairs has returned to Halifax after a short visit to England. Mr. Geoffrey Morrow was a passenger on the same steamer.

Mrs. and the Misses Laurie, of Oakfield are spending a short time in Halifax. They go to England early in October.

Rev. Dr. Ambrose, for so long rector at Digby, has taken a vacant parish at Herring Cove, where there is a small but comfortable rectory and a very good church.

By the way, it is said that there is sedition among the female parishioners of a popular divine, late of this city. Wars and rumors have been kindled in the ears of the unconverted, but they will probably be smothered over by the consoling hand of time.

On Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Kenny gave a very pleasant dinner at Thorndale. Among the guests at which was a newly elected future benedict who left on the following evening for a short visit to Vancouver.

On Monday afternoon Mr. and Miss L. Stairs gave a large children's party on the *Urania*, the afternoon having come out fine after the preceding deluge of two days.

The engagement of Lieutenant Colonel Hill and Miss Clarkson was announced on Monday last, and though people are most hearty in their congratulations they are sorry to think that another of the prettiest and most charming of Halifax ladies is to leave the place on her marriage. Colonel Hill, I understand, only a short time longer to remain on this station, and his departure will be a matter of regret.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. M. R. Morrow gave a small picnic and campfire at the N. W. Arm. The evening was beautiful which has not been witnessed at the picnics of this month, though wet weather has been almost unending.

On Tuesday afternoon the Sheldy Quoit club had their annual festival of hedge-podge and strange drinks; their run punch being like their hedge-podge, a special recipe and unapproachably good. There were not a great many guests present, but the club itself had numbered in force. The ground is a pretty one, and the club after their decorated existence as full of life as when it was first started. Mr. John T. Wydie, the president, is one of its oldest members.

The concert given at the Public Gardens on Wednesday evening was extensively patronized by the elite in the absence of any other excitement. The remarkably successful concert, however, kept the audience from being very large.

After the return of the ships I hear that a grand concert is to be given at the Public Gardens, in aid of the naval, military and civilian work in aid of a deserving local institution which stands in need of funds. Also I hear that the ships on the station will give the long rumored joint-stock ball.

On Tuesday evening a small affair dinner was given by Mr. G. C. Hart to his bachelor friends.

Mr. J. Seagrove, of Halifax, is to be married during this month to a young lady whose home is in the country. Miss Thomson's marriage will also take place very shortly.

On Sunday next there will be an anniversary service at St. Paul's church, which then complies its one hundred and forty-second year of existence. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dyson Hague, and there will be of course an unusually large congregation on the occasion.

One of the things which drove a thriving trade at the Bazaar was the wheel of fortune, where you staked ten cents on a number, and got back either fifty cents or nothing. Which ever happened it was a good allowance of excitement for ten cents.

On Thursday morning a great many people arose bright and early to proceed to St. Andrew's church, where the marriage of Mr. G. C. Hart and Miss L. Litwog took place at seven o'clock. The bride, was accompanied by her father and mother, a very rich and beautiful dress of brown velvet cord, with a pale blue line through it. The sleeves of the dress were of a rich gold embroidery relieved with a little pale pink. The hat worn with this costume was especially becoming, and the bride wore a small and dark-looking very pretty *petite*. As there were no bridesmaids so there were also no best men, ushers or guests; notwithstanding which last fact the church was filled with the friends of the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Hart left by the early train for New York, and intend on their return to take up their residence for a short time in the *Longue* where the *trousseau* belonging to the bride was a particularly handsome and complete one, most of it being supplied by the bride's father and dress-makers. Among the presents received was a very large silver chest full stocked, from the mother of the bride; several cheques from near relatives, and a quantity of pretty silver and china, of which pretty well all the former was solid.

Sir George and Lady Watson, by going to Plymouth have not ceased to entertain Royalty nor to move in that charmed circle, which is the seventh heaven to the aspiring Englishwoman. I see that at a garden party given by Lady Watson and the Duchess of Edinburgh and her daughters were the guests of honor. The two young princesses were very prettily dressed in light colored dresses, with yokes of turquoise blue silk and small hats to match. They attracted much attention as they walked about on each side of Miss Dalrymple, who was also attracted in biscent color, her dress being silk with a pale blue stripe. Her hat was of poppies, however, and not *en suite*, which was distinguished by mark between her and royalty. The Duchess of Edinburgh was out of mourning and wore greenish brocade.

At one of the two balls given by the Duchess of Edinburgh Lady Watson had a magnificent toilet of black more Oriental embroidery, and gold *en suite*, with which she wore a heavy jeweled belt. Miss Watson (who is described by one paper as being a tall and beautiful girl with golden hair) wore a very charming gown of pure white brocade with a design of lilies of the valley, while the bodice had lily-leaf green velvet sleeves, and was trimmed with lilies. All of which looks very grand to an unaccustomed eye.

I have noticed a good deal of hostile criticism in various papers of late on the dancing of Halifax ladies, and, after much observation, have seen that the ladies who do not hold up their long gowns dance as well as ever they did, while the more economically minded effectually hobble themselves by the lightness created round the knees by a well caught up skirt. It is impossible to be graceful if one is not free, and that attitude and anxious eye of a lady who has a train, a

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fun, and a partner to think of, is not conducive to her appearance. Of course it is impossible to let very long trains which are liable to trip other people, sweep the floor. But a very grate train is best for a dance; then there is no necessity for the boundless expanse of petticoat with which we have lately been favored.

What is to be done by an amateur M. F. H. of the vicinity with his pack of hounds? Pending the wild-cat season he might employ them in the chase of the "hame cats," so plentiful in Halifax throughout the year!

The Woman's Exchange is to open this week under very moderate circumstances. The tourist season is almost over, and the season of Christmas gifts not begun. Still, it is a very worthy undertaking which, of its own merits, deserves to prosper. It will depress its will approach to the by in Boston, which boasts a very pleasant lunch room, where ladies can obtain an excellent meal at a nominal price. MORRIS GRANVILLE.

AMHERST.

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

Aug. 31.—The "National Fair" closed on Friday evening with marvelous financial results, considering that the whole affair was arranged and successfully consummated in less than a month. The ladies in charge are certainly to be congratulated for the skillful management and the excellent harmony that prevailed throughout, also for the very artistic and uniform design of the booths, which were crowned with a frame work most attractively decorated with flags and shields on a background of spruce. The interior drapings were left to the taste of the fair occupants, who displayed a mechanical skill in the use of hand saw and hatchet that terrified the sterner sex (so supposed) as they failed to put in a frequent appearance until the bewildering beauty had tamely developed.

No preference can be given regarding the beauty of the booths, but I feel safe in saying that Russia, with its dark background of spruce covered with snow and glistening with icicles, received the greatest share of patronage. The warm weather and the fair occupants, who displayed a mechanical skill in the use of hand saw and hatchet that terrified the sterner sex (so supposed) as they failed to put in a frequent appearance until the bewildering beauty had tamely developed.

France, as usual, was most charming. Its many attractions were doubled by an elegant mirror, kindly loaned by Mr. Douglas, that reflected the fair occupants in the most favorable manner. The group among the bright candles displayed classic taste that gave a surprising keenness to the appetite for sweets, which the fair workers found most difficult to supply.

Norway was the headquarters for juvenile fishers, and on Thursday a lively business, the result of being admitted free in the afternoon. It was a perfect picture of nature in its most rugged form, and very prettily gotten up with much hand work, which helped to make it among the first attractions of the fair.

Germany seemed deeply interested in raffling and sets like snow flakes that that quarter. A handsome doll on an oak leaf to the lot of Mr. H. Pitman; a large Aiglon of beautiful design donated by Miss Bennett was fortunately drawn by Mrs. H. E. Wilson; and an oxidized silver work box is among Mr. N. Quigley's acquisitions. Mr. H. A. Hiltz also received a handsome silver work box, which he had purchased from the department with a loan of several hundred screens and brass cases that helped greatly in keeping up appearances.

Hats evidently failed to inspire us with a desire for the beautiful in art, and the choice and rare collection in the museum seemed beyond our appreciation. It was not until the second day, I failed to learn who got the clock in this booth.

Spain certainly must be classed among the gayest of nations the bright yellow being odd and picturesque, and well arranged. Fruits of all kinds met a sudden late that caused the M. D.'s to dream of the National byns. The roll call of the companies in the centre was much patronized by those anxious to look into the future and a more charming Gipsy than Miss Hiltz on no scientific merits in this regard. Miss Sam's domains was run under the European plan with stars and stripes in beautiful profusion.

England is not by any means least because it was last for it had double the territory of the other nations and put it to an excellent use, and a brighter, prettier scene one seldom sees than was witnessed at tea-time, when the pretty lassies of Scotland, in their bright tartans, vied with those of Ireland, decked in green and gold, led on by three charming representatives of H. M. N., who were kept more than busy attending the wants of the many voyagers who had it not been for the unavoidable absence of Miss Hiltz, might have felt equally as famous as Nelly Bly or Francis Train. The excellent drilling of the three companies of ladies was the most attractive feature of the fair, and was performed on the stage in the evening with telling effect; the various movements were performed with faultless precision, forming several beautiful tableaux while rendering the National byns. The roll call of the companies is as follows: No. 1—Misses Rhoda Sutcliffe, Lucy McKinnon, Aggie Munro, Gerrie Miner, Grace Fullerton, Estelle Fullerton, Miss Smith, No. 2—Misses Maggie Christie, Jessie Munro, Minnie Gates, Alice McKinnon, Flora Hewson, Effie Douer, Emma Laing, Helen Pipes, Julia Chapman, Georgia Sutcliffe, No. 3—Misses Muriel Moore, Maggie Purdy, Ella Purdy, Beatrice Fuller, George Hayward, Jennie Chalmers, Mabel Weidon, Nellie Chapman, Lottie Munro, George Hayward. Mr. Rosendale was the manager and instructor of the above feature.

The tennis tournament attracted many lovers of the game, which was played unusually well by Dr. and Mrs. C. O. Tupper, Miss Ethel Main and Dr. Hall, Miss Tighe and A. W. Bateson, Miss Hall, (St. John) and Dr. McQueen. The honors fell to Miss Main, who was partner in a pretty good pencil match with Dr. Hall, who really perceived its adaptability to ladies' use. No singles were played.

Mr. Kenby was the most popular forerunner received the valuable gold watch, although the tide of interest appeared much stronger for Mr. Bonnyman.

The band added greatly to the event, and despite the presence of the vicar many ventured to trip the bit fantastic at times.

The horse races at Moncton have drawn a great

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WOLFVILLE.

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Aug. 30.—Dr. Thomas Trotter of McMaster university, Toronto, was in Wolfville last week, accompanied by Mrs. Trotter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown, who have been absent from home during the greater part of the summer, have returned and are the guests of Mr. Brown's mother, on Main street.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Borden of Canning spent a portion of Wednesday with Wolfville friends.

Mr. Fitz-Stephen, who has been spending some time at Mrs. Quinn's, left Wolfville last week.

Mr. Grey of Boston is again visiting Wolfville friends.

Prof. A. N. Shaw has accepted the appointment of principal of the education department of Toronto Conservatory of Music, and is leaving at once for Toronto. Prof. Shaw's mother will remain in Wolfville longer in Wolfville and then join her friends in the States.

Miss Everett Sawyer has received an appointment on the staff of Acadia college. Mr. Sawyer is son of the president of this institution.

Mr. C. A. McDonald of Cornell has been appointed to the charge of the manual training department, and Mr. C. R. Morse, B. A., takes the place of Mr. F. M. Shaw on the academy staff.

Mooney, of Shelburne, was in town last week. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kerr, of Halifax, are making a short visit in Wolfville.

Miss Agnes Brown has returned to Boston, after spending some weeks at her home on Main street.

Mr. E. S. Crawley spent a few days of last week in Shelburne.

Dr. Austin deBlois, president of St. Martin's Seminary, New Brunswick, accompanied by Mrs. deBlois, are stopping with Mrs. A. Morse, Main street.

Mr. M. S. Reid, principal of Hillside academy, Shelburne, is in town for a few days.

Miss Sadie McKee, of Halifax, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. P. Godfrey.

Two quite novel presents will come off this week, a wedding and a dance.

Dr. Smith Walker, a graduate of Acadia college, now of Truro, was in Wolfville last week.

Mr. Lower, who has been the guest of Mr. Charles Starr, left Thursday morning.

The Wolfville Division held their annual picnic at Oak Hill last Wednesday.

The Deacons of Avon met in St. John's church, Cornwallis, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of last week. Amos H. Hildreth, president, presided.

Mr. Spencer, of Rawdon, Rev. Kenneth Hind, rector of Newport, and Archdeacon Jones, of Windsor.

SHELBURNE, N. S.

Aug. 24.—A number of Americans here, this summer, availed themselves of the fine fishing afforded by the neighboring streams, and all have expressed themselves as well pleased with the success that has rewarded their efforts.

Dr. and Mrs. Prescott Vail, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are summering in Shelburne.

Miss Mary Kelley, of Yarmouth, is at Capt. Kelley's.

Samuel Black and daughter, of Halifax, are the guests Hon. N. W. White.

Mr. John Blanchard, of Truro, is at his son's, Mr. Fraser, Blanchard street, Halifax.

Mrs. A. M. Fraser and Miss Jessie Blanchard, of Halifax, are also guests at Mr. F. Blanchard's.

Hon. N. W. and Mrs. White gave a large tea to a number of their friends last Thursday evening.

Miss Luella Metcalf, Miss Weddleton and Miss Maggie Pendridge, all of Yarmouth, have returned to their homes, after spending a few weeks in Shelburne.

Miss Eva Durfee is home for a few weeks, and continued a large number of young folk at her home last Monday evening.

The Shelburne base ball team have been playing well this summer. Mr. George Cox is the popular captain of the team. They have played and won matches with Lockport, Barrington and Liverpool on their own grounds in Shelburne. The Liverpool team accompanied their base ball team, and with other local Liverpool talent gave a very successful dramatic performance in Denning's hall.

Picnics are of daily occurrence. A very pleasant one was given by Mrs. Arthur Flood on Tuesday at Morrie's Falls. Among those who enjoyed the outing were Dr. M. C. Vail, Miss Bertie Flood, Mrs. Fraser, Mr. John Blanchard, Miss Kelley, Miss Mary Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blanchard, Mr. Jack, Miss Jessie Blanchard, Miss Lizzie Flood, Mr. Will Oakes and Mr. Ross.

Mr. John Flood is spending this week in Chester.

Mrs. Fred Kelley is expected home next week to attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Bertie Kyer, which is to take place in the very near future.

Mrs. Blanchard gave a very delightful little tennis party on Monday last evening.

Mrs. John A. McGowan is expecting a number of visitors from Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville, of New York, have been spending a few days here prospecting and looking at property with a view to buying a site for a summer residence.

Dr. Gordon McKay, from Boston, is spending a few days with relations at Ohio.

Mr. Archibald Murray is successfully supplying the pulpit for the Baptist church here for the summer months.

Miss Jessie Burns and her sister, Miss Maggie, have returned from Milton, Quebec, after a very pleasant visit.

Dr. and Mrs. Vail are chaperoning a small party of young people in the woods for a couple of days.

FUGWASH.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Pugwash at Mrs. John Johnston's millinery store.]

Aug. 31.—On Thursday Mrs. Yeaman gave a very delightful afternoon tea in her garden, which was greatly enjoyed. Among those present were: Mrs. W. C. Wilson, Springhill; Mrs. George Esmond, Halifax; Mrs. Alloway and Mrs. Parsons, Springhill; Rev. A. Bent, Rev. J. E. Warner, Mrs. E. E. Bent, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Boyer, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. DeWolfe, Piton, who is a guest of Mrs. Yeaman.

The same evening Mrs. R. L. Macdonald entertained the visitors in town and a number of other friends in her parlour.

Miss Hanney and Miss Kinsley, who have been spending some weeks here, returned to their home in St. John on Monday.

On Saturday evening Mrs. R. L. Macdonald entertained a number of ladies to a six o'clock tea.

Mrs. MacCallum of Truro, who has been spending several weeks in Wallace, spent two days in town last week on her way home.

Mrs. MacCallum's children are visiting her mother at Granville Ferry.

Mrs. Foster of Lynn, Mass., is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Boucher.

Rev. Mr. Burgess, of Stellarton, preached in St. Matthew's (presbyterian) church on the 21st inst. Mr. Burgess was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Macdonald during his stay in town.

Miss Eunice Black, of Truro, has returned home after several weeks visit at "Hillside," the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Black.

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the Queen with Mrs. and Miss Brown who are staying there. Miss Hick returned from Truro on Saturday and Miss McLean from Wolfville on Wednesday. Miss Dick, of Springhill, is staying at Mrs. Pettis's. Mrs. Sley, of Amherst, who has been in Parrsboro for a few weeks returned home today. Mr. J. M. Townshend, of Amherst, has been in town for a day or two the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Townshend. Rev. W. C. Gaylor, of Memramcook, who has been spending his vacation here went to St. John on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Huntley are back from a visit to their daughter, Mrs. H. Clay, in Pugwash. Mrs. Crestman, of Truro, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. Pettis. Mr. Stanley Sutherland, of Amherst, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Copp. CHOCOLATE.

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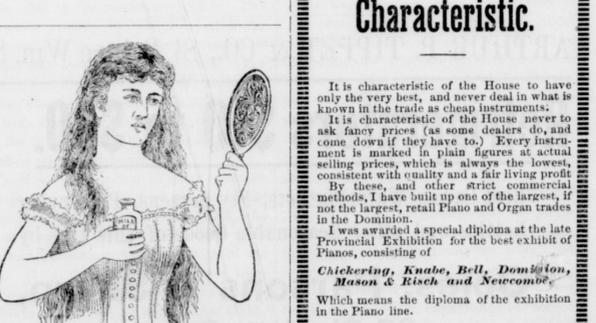
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